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Re Application of

Applicant : Shifman et al.
Serial No. : 10/071,634
Filed : February 7, 2002
For : **"BLENDS OF FLUOROELASTOMER INTERPOLYMERS WITH
FLUOROPLASTIC INTERPOLYMERS AND THE USE OF SUCH
BLENDS IN HOSES"**

Docket No. : 94-25b
Examiner : Jeff H. Aftergut
Art Unit : 1733

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AMENDMENT

This Amendment is submitted in response to the Final Rejection mailed August 12, 2003

Amendments to the specification - No amendments have been made to the specification.

Amendments to the claims - Amendments to claims 35, 40, 41, and 42 are shown in the listing of claims which begins on page 3.

No new matter is added by this amendment nor does the amendments include any material which would cause additional work on the part of the Office.

The amendments to the claims were not presented earlier because such amendments were believed to be unnecessary. The amendments are made at this time for the purpose of placing the claims in better form for appeal should such claims be found to be not allowable.